

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re the Application of:**

Sashikanth Chandrasekaran, et al.

Serial No.: 09/872,891

Filed: May 31, 2001

For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR  
PREDICTING DATA CONFLICTS AND  
GENERATING A LOAD DISTRIBUTION  
PLAN IN A MULTI-NODE SYSTEM

Group Art Unit: 2157

Examiner: Gold, Avi M.

Confirmation No. 3158

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 15, 2008, please amend this application in accordance with the following amendment sheet(s).

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.**

**Remarks begin on page 12.**